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SUBJECT: OAS PREPARATORY COMMITTEE DEFERS REPORTS ON
HUMAN RIGHTS IN URUGUAY AND PARAGUAY

REF: STATE 080113

1. COMMITTEE CHARGED WITH PREPARING AGENDA FOR VII OAS
GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESUMED DEBATE APRIL 13 OF INTER-
AMERICAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE PROPOSAL TO INSCRIBE
SPECIAL REPORTS ON URUGUAY AND PARAGUAY (SEE REFTEL).
DEBATE WAS ALONG SAME LINES OF PRECEDING WEEK, WITH
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VENEZUELAN AMBASSADOR IN THE LEAD, SUPPORTED ON GROUNDS
OF PRINCIPLE AND PROCEDURE BY AMBASSADORS OF THE U.S.,
JAMAICA AND TRINIDAD/TOBAGO. VOTE ON GUATEMALA MOTION
TO POSTPONE FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORTS UNTIL
ACTUAL TEXTS PRESENTED CARRIED 18-5 (VENEZUELA, U.S.,
TRINIDAD/TOBAGO, JAMAICA, BARBADOS) WITH NO ABSTENTIONS.

2. TOWARD CONCLUSION OF DEBATE, PARAGUAYAN CHARGE
LLANES COMPLAINED THAT IAHRC HAD RETAINED WASHINGTON
LAW FIRM OF ARNOLD AND PORTER TO WRITE HUMAN RIGHTS
REPORT ON HIS COUNTRY AND HE ASKED SECRETARIAT TO
CIRCULATE CONTRACT SIGNED WITH A U.S. CITIZEN, ROBERT
K. GOLDMAN, FOR THIS PURPOSE. CONTRACT DOCUMENT SHOWS

THAT GOLDMAN WAS RETAINED BY IAHRC TO WRITE A REPORT ON
HUMAN RIGHTS IN ENGLISH AT A COST OF 4,000 DOLLARS TO
BE PRESENTED TO THE COMMISSION BY MAY 1. FYI: IAHRC
SOURCE INFORMS US THAT GOLDMAN, A LAW PROFESSOR AT
AMERICAN UNIVERSITY AND NO LONGER WITH ARNOLD AND
PORTER, HAS BEEN CONTRACTED (UNDER OAS PROCEDURES THAT
PERMIT OUTSIDE HIRE) TO WRITE A SPECIAL REPORT NOT ON
PARAGUAY BUT ON URUGUAY, WHERE GOLDMAN SPENT A YEAR AS
A FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR. THE COMMISSION ITSELF VOTED TO
RESORT TO THIS PROCEDURE AT ITS LAST SESSION BECAUSE OF
THE EXTRAORDINARILY HEAVY CASE LOAD ON ITS OWN LAWYERS .
THEY ANTICIPATED CRITICISM BUT BELIEVE THE PROCEDURE IS
DEFENSIBLE. THE REPORT WILL BE CAREFULLY REVIEWED BY
THE COMMISSION PRIOR TO DELIVERY TO THE GOU. END FYI.

3. AFTER VOTE, AND WITHOUT HAVING INCLUDED TOPIC ON
COMMITTEE AGENDA OR EVEN REQUESTING PERMISSION TO
SPEAK, AMBASSADOR PITY OF PANAMA READ LONG STATEMENT
DENOUNCING US FOR RECENT CANAL ZONE INCIDENT IN WHICH
GOP CITIZEN AND WIFE WERE ALLEGEDLY DETAINED AND ABUSED.
PITTY ASKED THAT HIS STATEMENT AND TEXT OF CABLE EXCHANGE
WITH HIS GOVERNMENT BE CIRCULATED AS OAS DOCUMENT.
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